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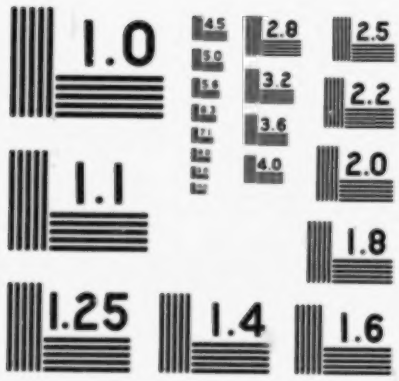

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Following the July 1967 riots in Detroit, 496 Negroes who had been arrested and imprisoned were questioned about their economic and employment status, family status, views about the riot and its causes, and rankings of Negro leaders. Negro interviewers conducted the survey at the prisons. Despite some stated shortcomings in the data collection process and in the instruments, a profile of these men is presented. The typical prisoner was a single man about 30 years old, protestant but not a regular church-goer, and a nonveteran high school dropout. He was southern born and had lived in Detroit for at least 15 years. A blue collar worker, he earned about $120 per week and had been out of work more than 5 weeks in the past year. The prisoner thought the riots had been caused by "police brutality." He believed that poor housing, lack of job opportunities, and discrimination also had contributed to the conflict. Martin Luther King, Jr. was his favorite leader, and nonviolence was the preferred means for achieving civil rights. In general, the prisoner felt that conditions for himself and other Detroit Negroes had improved recently, and he was hopeful of eventually achieving what whites now have. Tables summarize the data, and an appendix presents a profile of selected characteristics. (NH)

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A Profile of 500 Prisoners

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PREFACE

On Sunday, July 23, 1967, a riot broke out in Detroit, Michigan, which resulted in loss of life, limb and property. Hundreds of alleged participants were arrested, some of whom willingly answered various questions (psychological, social, and economic) for research investigators seeking causation for the riot.

Eleven days after the outbreak (August 3, 1967), the U.S. Department of Labor contracted, under authorization of the Manpower Development and Training Act, with the Behavior Research Institute of Detroit to introduce into an ongoing survey of prisoners questions designed to shed additional light on their employment status and indebtedness.

Information was collected on the characteristics of the prisoners; the nature of their job and weekly earnings; their home situation; their views as to the causes of the riot and the degree to which they knew what was taking place; and their ranking of Negro leaders.

Limited information (on employment status and indebtedness) is available for the total survey group of 496 prisoners. More extensive information was collected for 157 of those interviewed on August 3 and 4 at the request of the Office of Manpower Research, Manpower Administration.

The survey was not based on a scientific sample. It was conceived and conducted under extreme pressure. The data were coded, processed, and analyzed on August 5 and 6.

The interviews were conducted at five prison sites between July 31 and August 4, by 19 Negro interviewers. These interviewers were recruited largely from among graduate students at Wayne State University and from among Detroit high school teachers. Some poverty agency workers were added later.

The names and addresses, and all other means of individual identification, were obliterated from the questionnaires, so that the respondents would remain anonymous. The police charges were also removed, so that it is not possible to assess the severity of the alleged offense.

The interviews were not conducted under ideal circumstances, nor was there sufficient time to pre-test or to

develop a questionnaire that would yield more precise information. For example, present employment status was asked and the answer limited to "employed" or "unemployed," with no provision for indicating whether a prisoner might be a full-time student or out of the labor force for some other reason. The "not employed" category used in this analysis, based on the "unemployed" reply, does not, therefore, conform to the regular Department of Labor definition of unemployment. Some other questions were not phrased as precisely as would be desirable.

The study which follows—actually a profile—of 496 Negro men arrested during the July 23, 1967 riot in Detroit, Michigan attempts to provide a partial picture of the economic and social background of these persons.

HIGHLIGHTS

Some of the highlights of the findings of this report are:

•The typical prisoner, out of the total interviewed, was a single man just over 30 years of age. He was a Protestant, but not a regular church-goer. He was a non-veteran who had dropped out of school by the 11th grade. His birthplace was the South and he had lived in Detroit for 15 years or more.

•He was a blue collar worker in a manufacturing plant where he earned about $120 a week. Although currently employed, he had experienced more than 5 weeks of unemployment in the past year. He had not participated in a government training or poverty program.

•In the prisoner's opinion, the riot was caused by "police brutality." He also believed that poor housing, lack of job opportunities, and tensions and frustrations resulting from the Negroes' failure to secure equality caused the trouble in Detroit. His favorite leader is Martin Luther King and he thought that non-violent means was the best way to achieve civil rights for Negroes. He felt that conditions, both for himself and Detroit Negroes, in general, had improved in the last few years. He was also hopeful that the Negro would someday have everything that the white man has today.

—About 1 in 5 of the 157 prisoners who reported on their military experience had served in the Armed Forces. Only one man was a Vietnam veteran.

—About half of the 157 prisoners reporting on their indebtedness status indicated that they were in debt. One-half of those in debt owed for back rent or medical expenses. More than 50 percent of those in debt owed under $200. Twenty-five percent owed between $200 and $500.

FOCUS ON PRISONERS

The prisoners averaged about $120 a week. This equaled the average wage in manufacturing for the Nation as a whole, but was below the approximate $150 per week earned by the average factory worker in the Detroit area in July 1967. Even the youngsters (both the 16- to 19-year olds and those 20 to 24) averaged between $80 and $100 per week. Two out of 3 of the teenagers and 3 out of 4 of the men in their early twenties reported they were working.

One out of 8 married prisoners was making less than $80 per week. More than half of the married men earned more than $120 each week.[1/] One out of 4 single prisoners had weekly earnings of $120 or more. More than 2 out of 5 of these single men earned more than $100 per week.

As a group, prisoners without a high school diploma were almost as likely to be making over $120 per week as those with more education.[2/] However, considerably more high school dropouts than graduates were earning less than $80 per week.

Unemployment (22 percent) was nevertheless high—about five times higher than the unemployment rate (about 4.5 percent) for the entire Detroit metropolitan area. Unemployment was highest among the teenagers (although the 1 out of 3 jobless may have been overstated because some of these youngsters were presumably

Table 1. EMPLOYMENT STATUS AND WEEKLY WAGES

Selected characteristics	Total	Age							
		Under 20			20-24	25 and over			
		Total	Under 16	16-19		Total	25-29	30-44	45 and over
Total Reported	496	93	2	91	127	276	112	138	26
Employment status									
Employed . . .	383	61	1	60	91	231	98	114	19
Not employed.	107	30	1	29	34	43	14	22	7
Not reported .	6	2	-	2	2	2	-	2	-
Not employed rate	21.8	33.0	50.0	32.6	27.2	15.7	12.5	16.2	26.9
Wages									
Under $40. . .	15	7	-	7	3	5	3	-	2
$41-60	31	12	-	12	4	15	3	8	4
$61-80.	42	6	-	6	8	28	8	18	2
$81-100	74	16	-	16	18	40	19	17	4
$101-120. . . .	80	9	-	9	29	42	20	19	3
$121-150. . . .	113	12	-	12	25	76	40	33	3
$151-200. . . .	28	1	-	1	10	17	4	9	4
Over $200 . .	19	-	-	-	3	16	4	12	-
Not reported	94	30	2	28	27	37	11	22	4

1/Four hundred prisoners reported on marital status and weekly earnings.
2/Three hundred and ninetynine prisoners reported on earnings and education.

still attending school). Unemployment was not much lower for the 20-to 24-year olds (27 percent compared to 33 percent for the teenagers) even though, nationally, unemployment rates among Negroes tend to drop off very sharply between the teenagers and the early twenties. The drop in rates in the group surveyed occurred in those over 25, among whom unemployment averaged about 16 percent.

Table 2. NUMBER OF PRISONERS WITH INCOME BY WEEKS OF WORK LOST

Usual salary per week	Number of weeks lost					
	Total reported	None	1-4	5-15	16-26	26 and over
Total reported	109 1/	35	25	28	16	5
Under $40	1	-	-	-	-	1
$41-60	6	1	5	-	-	-
$61-80	14	4	3	7	-	-
$81-100	25	6	8	5	5	1
$101-120	23	9	5	1	5	3
$121-150	30	12	4	10	4	-
$151-200	6	1	-	3	2	-
Over $200	4	2	-	2	-	-

1/ Does not include those who did not report wages and full weeks of work lost.

EMPLOYMENT AND EARNINGS

Although the average pay for the employed prisoner was $ 120 a week, two-thirds of those reporting on both wages and unemployment experience (109) had periods of joblessness ranging from 1 week to 6 months or more. One hundred and fifty-seven prisoners were asked whether they were employed during the year.

Fully a fourth of those who reported the weeks lost by unemployment in the past year (125) said they lost 4 months or more; another fourth lost 5 to 15 weeks; less than 30 percent reported no work loss.

OCCUPATION

Although about 2 out of 5 prisoners had a high school education or more, only a small number (17) had jobs calling for advanced education. More than 1 of every 4 prisoners (124) had a semiskilled job such as a machine operator or assembler. Almost 1 in 5 (79) worked in a service occupation. Some 59 who did not specify the type of work they performed held jobs in automobile plants; 52 of the prisoners were laborers and 32 indicated they were skilled workers. (This information is based on replies from 430 prisoners.)

Table 3. KIND OF WORK PERFORMED BY PRISONERS

Occupation	Number
Total reported	430
Operative	124
Service	79
Automobile Plant	59
Laborers	52
Craftsmen	32
Other	84

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Of the 276 men arrested who were 25 or older, 83, or about 1 in 3, were high school graduates. This compares with 1 out of 6 nonwhite male graduates of this age group in the general population and equals the average of all races. In addition, nearly 6 percent of those in the survey over the age of 25 had more than 12 years of schooling.

Almost 1 out of 5 prisoners (93) was a teenager. One out of 3 of these teenagers was a high school graduate. About 1 out of 4 of the 496 prisoners was between the ages of 20 and 24 (inclusive). In this age group, 43 of the 127 (34 percent) were high school graduates and 10 in this age group had education beyond high school.

About 1 out of 6 prisoners had participated in a Federal training or poverty program. The younger prisoners were more likely to have been in such programs. About 1 in 5 of the prisoners under age 25 reported some kind of participation in a job training or poverty program as against only 1 in 8 of the older prisoners.

Table 4. YEARS OF SCHOOL COMPLETED BY AGE

Years of school completed	Total all persons		Age					
			Under 20		20-24		25 and over	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	496	100.0	93	100.0	127	100.0	276	100.0
8 years and under	61	12.3	5	5.4	4	3.1	52	18.8
9-11 years . . .	248	50.0	55	59.1	70	55.1	123	44.6
12 years	156	31.5	30	32.3	43	33.9	83	30.1
12 years and over.	26	5.2	-	-	10	7.9	16	5.8
Not reported . .	5	1.0	3	3.2	-	-	2	.7

FAMILY STATUS

One-fourth of the prisoners over 25 were single and another 20 percent were separated, divorced, or widowed. Thus, about 1 out of every 5 prisoners, over the age of 25, was living apart from his wife and family. Because some of the "single" prisoners reported that they had children, the number of broken families among the prisoners is even higher. About 40 percent of all of the prisoners were married.

About a third of those with two to four children earned between $121 and $150 per week. One out of 8 prisoners with two to four children earned less than $80 per week. About half of the prisoners with two to four children earned more than $120 per week. The median weekly income for prisoners with five or more children was about $125. Two hundred and forty prisoners who had children also supplied information on their earnings.

Table 5. MARITAL STATUS AND AGE OF DETROIT PRISONERS

Marital status	Total	Age							
		Under 20				25 and over			
		Total	Under 16	16-19	20-24	Total	25-29	30-44	45 and over
Total	496	93	2	91	127	276	112	138	26
Married	193	8		8	38	147	64	69	14
Single	237	82	2	80	84	71	36	35	-
Separated, divorced, widowed	62	1	-	1	5	56	11	33	12
Not reported . .	4	2	-	2	-	2	1	1	-

Table 6. EARNINGS AND NUMBER OF CHILDREN

Number of children	Total reported	Salary per week							
		Under $40	$41-60	$61-80	$81-100	$101-120	$121-150	$151-200	Over $200
Total reported.	369[1/]	14	29	39	64	71	108	27	17
0	129	7	16	17	27	28	24	9	1
1	71	5	6	9	12	7	28	2	2
2-4	137	2	6	10	20	29	46	13	11
5 and over .	32	-	1	3	5	7	10	3	3

[1/] Of the 496 prisoners, 369 replied to both questions on wages and children.

Table 7. EARNINGS AND MARITAL STATUS

Marital Status	Total reported	Salary per week							
		Under $40	$41-60	$61-80	$81-100	$101-120	$121-150	$151-200	Over $200
Total reported	400[1/]	14	31	42	74	80	113	27	19
Married . .	175	1	7	12	20	37	68	16	14
Single . . .	178	10	19	25	47	34	34	7	2
Separated .	26	-	2	2	1	6	10	3	2
Divorced . .	17	2	3	2	4	3	1	1	1
Widowed . .	4	1	-	1	2	-	-	-	-

[1/] Of the 496 prisoners, 400 reported on marital status and weekly earnings.

ORIGIN

About 15 percent of the prisoners had lived in Detroit 5 years or less. Almost 200 (40 percent) of the prisoners had been born in the Deep South. (Florida, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas and Texas.) An additional 67 had been born in the border States. (North Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky, West Virginia, Missouri, and Oklahoma.) Of those born in the Deep South, over 40 percent had lived in Detroit for more than 15 years.

Almost half of the prisoners live with from four to seven persons. More than 10 percent are crowded into living quarters with eight or more others. Although 237 prisoners are single, only 80 reported that they lived alone. The average number of persons per household is over five.

PRISONERS' VIEWS: CAUSE OF RIOT

Police brutality was, by far, the most frequent response of the prisoners to the question "What do you think caused this trouble in Detroit?" About 30 percent—159 of the 523 responses—(some prisoners gave more than one reason) pointed, in the view of the prisoners, to the police as the causal agent of the riot. Prisoners referred to specific incidents such as beatings and other physical violence and personal abuse on the part of the police.

The second most frequent reason given as to the cause of the riot was less specific, but can be summed up in the term "discrimination." Some of these responses indicated the frustrations and tensions resulting from ineffectual efforts of Negroes to end segregation and discrimination as the cause. Other responses emphasized poor housing and living conditions and lack of job opportunities (54). Many of the prisoners (114) stated that they did not know what caused the riot. About 40 responses referred to a specific incident involving a neighborhood bar (a "blind pig") as the cause of the trouble. These responses did not mention police brutality.

Table 8. RESPONSE TO QUESTION: "WHAT DO YOU THINK CAUSED THIS TROUBLE IN DETROIT?"

	Number of Responses
Total	523
Police brutality	159
Tensions and frustrations resulting from Negroes' efforts to gain equality	65
Don't know	114
Lack of job opportunities, low pay, poor housing and living conditions	54
Raid on "blind pig" without mention of police brutality	40
"Outside agitators"	15
Other responses	76

FAVORITE NEGRO LEADER

About 50 percent (178) of the 363 prisoners who expressed a preference for a favorite Negro leader selected the Reverend Martin Luther King as their first choice. About 14 percent of the prisoners indicated that Stokely Carmichael was their favorite leader. Another 15 percent selected Muhammad Ali (Cassius Clay), Malcolm X and Elijah Muhammad as their favorite leaders.

Of those who expressed a preference for Martin Luther King as their favorite Negro leader, the most frequently mentioned means of achieving civil rights was through nonviolent approaches such as political action. The next most frequently cited approach was a unified Negro front. The third and fourth most frequently mentioned solutions were

education and raising self-esteem, respectively.

Prisoners who expressed a preference for Stokely Carmichael, Muhammad Ali, Malcolm X and Elijah Muhammad (combined), most frequently mentioned nonviolent measures, followed by force and violence, as the best ways of securing civil rights. The third most mentioned means was a unified approach, followed by education and raising self-esteem. About 50 prisoners, who named a favorite leader, did not offer any suggestions.

Table 9. FAVORITE NEGRO LEADERS

	Number
Total	363
Reverend Martin Luther King	178
Stokely Carmichael	52
Adam Clayton Powell	24
Muhammad Ali	21
Malcolm X	20
Elijah Muhammad	12
Other	56

MOST THOUGHT CONDITIONS HAD IMPROVED

The majority of the interviewed believed that conditions in the last few years had become better for themselves and for Negroes generally in the Detroit area. About 1 out of 5 thought conditions had become worse for himself, and a slightly smaller proportion felt that conditions for Negroes in the Detroit area were worse.

APPENDIX

PROFILE OF 500 NEGRO MEN ARRESTED IN THE DETROIT RIOT, 1967

(Number)

Selected characteristics	Total	Age							
		Under 20			20-24	25 and over			
		Total	Under 16	16-19		Total	25-29	30-44	45 and over
Total number interviewed	496	93	2	91	127	276	112	138	26
Years of school completed									
Under 8 years	39	3	-	3	4	32	4	16	12
8 years	22	2	-	2	-	20	4	13	3
9-11 years	248	55	2	53	70	123	58	57	8
12 years	156	30	-	30	43	83	39	42	2
Over 12 years	26	-	-	-	10	16	7	8	1
Not reported	5	3	-	3	-	2	-	2	-
Employment status									
Employed	383	61	1	60	91	231	98	114	19
Not employed	107	30	1	29	34	43	14	22	7
Not reported	6	2	-	2	2	2	-	2	-
Salary									
Under $40	15	7	-	7	3	5	3	-	2
$41-60	31	12	-	12	4	15	3	8	4
$61-80	42	6	-	6	8	28	8	18	2
$81-100	74	16	-	16	18	40	19	17	4
$101-120	80	9	-	9	29	42	20	19	3
$121-150	113	12	-	12	25	76	40	33	3
$151-200	28	1	-	1	10	17	4	9	4
Over $200	19	-	-	-	3	16	4	12	-
Not reported	94	30	2	28	27	37	11	22	4
Marital status									
Married	193	8	-	8	38	147	64	69	14
Single	237	82	2	80	84	71	36	35	-
Separated	33	1	-	1	3	29	6	19	4
Divorced	23	-	-	-	2	21	4	12	5
Widowed	6	-	-	-	-	6	1	2	3
Not reported	4	2	-	2	-	2	1	1	-
Persons living in house									
1	80	3	-	3	19	58	14	35	9
2-3	120	18	-	18	35	67	28	29	10
4-7	224	49	1	48	56	119	53	61	5
8 or more	63	22	1	21	15	26	14	12	-
Not reported	9	1	-	1	2	6	3	1	2
Government training									
Yes	81	28	-	28	19	34	12	20	2
No	408	65	2	63	107	236	100	112	24
Not reported	7	-	-	-	1	6	-	6	-

PROFILE OF 500 NEGRO MEN ARRESTED IN THE DETROIT RIOT, 1967

(Percent distribution by age)

Selected characteristics	Total		Age							
			Under 20			20-24	25 and over			
	Number	Percent	Total	Under 16	16-19		Total	25-29	30-44	45 and over
Total number interviewed	496	100.0	18.7	0.4	18.3	25.6	55.6	22.6	27.8	5.2
Years of school completed										
Total reported	491	100.0	18.3	.4	17.9	25.9	55.8	22.8	27.7	5.3
Under 8 years	39	100.0	7.7	-	7.7	10.3	82.1	10.3	41.0	30.8
8 years	22	100.0	9.1	-	9.1	-	90.9	18.2	59.1	13.6
9-11 years	248	100.0	22.2	.8	21.4	28.2	49.6	23.4	23.0	3.2
12 years	156	100.0	19.2	-	19.2	27.6	53.2	25.0	26.9	1.3
Over 12 years	26	100.0	-	-	-	38.5	61.5	26.9	30.8	3.8
Employment status										
Total reported	490	100.0	18.6	.4	18.2	25.5	55.9	22.9	27.8	5.3
Employed	383	100.0	15.9	.3	15.6	23.8	60.3	25.6	29.8	5.0
Not employed	107	100.0	28.0	.9	27.1	31.8	40.2	13.1	20.6	6.5
Salary										
Total reported	402	100.0	15.7	-	15.7	24.9	59.5	25.1	28.9	5.5
Under $40	15	100.0	46.7	-	46.7	20.0	33.3	20.0	-	13.3
$41-60	31	100.0	38.7	-	38.7	12.9	48.4	9.7	25.8	12.9
$61-80	42	100.0	14.3	-	14.3	19.0	66.7	19.0	42.9	4.8
$81-100	74	100.0	21.6	-	21.6	24.3	54.1	25.7	23.0	5.4
$101-120	80	100.0	11.3	-	11.3	36.3	52.5	25.0	23.8	3.8
$121-150	113	100.0	10.6	-	10.6	22.1	67.3	35.4	29.2	2.7
$151-200	28	100.0	3.6	-	3.6	35.7	60.7	14.3	32.1	14.3
Over $200	19	100.0	-	-	-	15.8	84.2	21.1	63.2	-
Marital status										
Total reported	492	100.0	18.5	.4	18.1	25.8	55.7	22.6	27.8	5.3
Married	193	100.0	4.1	-	4.1	19.7	76.2	33.2	35.8	7.3
Single	237	100.0	34.6	.8	33.8	35.4	30.0	15.2	14.8	-
Separated	33	100.0	3.0	-	3.0	9.0	87.9	18.2	57.6	12.1
Divorced	23	100.0	-	-	-	8.7	91.3	17.4	52.2	21.7
Widowed	6	100.0	-	-	-	-	100.0	16.7	33.3	50.0
Persons living in house										
Total reported	487	100.0	18.9	.4	18.5	25.7	55.4	22.4	28.1	4.9
1	80	100.0	3.8	-	3.8	23.8	72.5	17.5	43.7	11.3
2-3	120	100.0	15.0	-	15.0	29.2	55.8	23.3	24.2	8.3
4-7	224	100.0	21.9	.5	21.4	25.0	53.1	23.7	27.2	2.2
8 or more	63	100.0	34.9	1.6	33.3	23.8	41.3	22.2	19.1	-
Government training										
Total reported	489	100.0	19.0	.4	18.6	25.8	55.2	22.9	27.0	5.3
Yes	81	100.0	34.6	-	34.6	23.5	42.0	14.8	24.7	2.5
No	408	100.0	15.9	.5	15.4	26.2	57.8	24.5	27.5	5.9

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(Percent distribution by characteristics)

Selected characteristics	Total	Age							
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		Total	Under 16	16-19		Total	25-29	30-44	45 and over
Total number interviewed	496	93	2	91	127	276	112	138	26
Years of school completed									
Total reported ------	491	90	2	88	127	274	112	136	26
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Under 8 years	7.9	3.3	-	3.4	3.1	11.7	3.6	11.8	46.2
8 years	4.5	2.2	-	2.3	-	7.3	3.6	9.6	11.5
9-11 years	50.5	61.1	100.0	60.2	55.1	44.9	51.8	41.9	30.8
12 years	31.8	33.3	-	34.1	33.9	30.3	34.8	30.9	7.7
Over 12 years	5.3	-	-	-	7.9	5.8	6.2	5.9	3.8
Employment status									
Total reported ------	490	91	2	89	125	274	112	136	26
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Employed	78.2	67.0	50.0	67.4	72.8	84.3	87.5	83.8	73.1
Not employed	21.8	33.0	50.0	32.6	27.2	15.7	12.5	16.2	26.9
Salary									
Total reported ------	402	63	-	63	100	239	101	116	22
Percent	100.0	100.0	-	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Under $40	3.7	11.1	-	11.1	3.0	2.1	3.0	-	9.1
$41-60	7.7	19.0	-	19.0	4.0	6.3	3.0	6.9	18.2
$61-80	10.4	9.5	-	9.5	8.0	11.7	7.9	15.5	9.1
$81-100	18.4	25.4	-	25.4	18.0	16.7	18.8	14.7	18.2
$101-120	19.9	14.3	-	14.3	29.0	17.6	19.8	16.4	13.6
$121-150	28.1	19.0	-	19.0	25.0	31.8	39.6	28.4	13.6
$151-200	7.0	1.6	-	1.6	10.0	7.1	4.0	7.8	18.2
Over $200	4.7	-	-	-	3.0	6.7	4.0	10.3	-
Marital status									
Total reported ------	492	91	2	89	127	274	111	137	26
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Married	39.2	8.8	-	9.0	29.9	53.6	57.7	50.4	53.8
Single	48.2	90.1	100.0	89.9	66.1	25.9	32.4	25.5	-
Separated	6.7	1.1	-	1.1	2.4	10.6	5.4	13.9	15.4
Divorced	4.7	-	-	-	1.6	7.7	3.6	8.8	19.2
Widowed	1.2	-	-	-	-	2.2	.9	1.5	11.5
Persons living in house									
Total reported ------	487	92	2	90	125	270	109	137	24
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1	16.4	3.3	-	3.3	15.2	21.5	12.8	25.5	37.5
2-3	24.6	19.6	-	20.0	28.0	24.8	25.7	21.2	41.7
4-7	46.0	53.3	50.0	53.3	44.8	44.1	48.6	44.5	20.8
8 or more	12.9	23.9	50.0	23.3	12.0	9.6	12.8	8.8	-
Government training									
Total reported ------	489	93	2	91	126	270	112	132	26
Percent	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Yes	16.6	30.1	-	30.8	15.1	12.6	10.7	15.2	7.7
No	83.4	69.9	100.0	69.2	84.9	87.4	89.3	84.8	92.3

RESPONSES TO QUESTIONNAIRE

(Total number interviewed—496)

1. Age_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	496	100.0
Under 16 years	2	.4
16-19 years	91	18.3
20-24 years	127	25.6
25-29 years	112	22.6
30-44 years	138	27.8
45 and over	26	5.2
Not reported	---	---

2. Sex M F (circle please)

[Only men were interviewed.]

3. Highest school grade completed ___.[1/]

	Number	Percent
Total reported	491	100.0
Under 8 years	39	7.9
8 years	22	4.5
9-11 years	248	50.5
12 years	156	31.8
Over 12	26	5.3
Not reported	5	-

4. Employed_____ Unemployed____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	490	100.0
Employed	383	78.2
Unemployed	107	21.8
Not reported	6	-

5. Kind of work you do_____[1/]

	Number	Percent
Total reported	430	100.0
Operative	124	28.8
Service	79	18.4
Automobile plant	59	13.7
Laborers	52	12.1
Craftsmen	32	7.4
Other	84	19.5
Not reported	66	-

6. Salary paid by that job per week $_____[1/]

	Number	Percent
Total reported	402	100.0
Under $40	15	3.7
$41-60	31	7.7
$61-80	42	10.4
$81-100	74	18.4
$101-120	80	19.9
$121-150	113	28.1
$151-200	28	7.0
Over $200	19	4.7
Not reported	94	-

7. If on aid program, state weekly sum provided $_____[1/]

	Number	Percent
Receiving aid	19	3.8
Not receiving aid	477	96.2

[Amount of aid was not reported by sufficient numbers to be meaningful.]

8. City and state of birth _____, _____ 1/

	Number	Percent
Total reported	492	100.0
Detroit	174	35.4
Other Michigan	12	2.4
Deep South 2/	196	39.8
All other	110	22.4
Not reported	4	-

9. Years in Detroit (if months, print M after figure) _____ 1/

	Number	Percent
Total reported	487	100.0
Under 1 year	29	6.0
1-5 years	71	14.6
6-15 years	89	18.3
Over 15 years	298	61.2
Not reported	9	-

10. Religion (don't probe) _____ 1/
Do you attend church regularly?
Yes_____ No_____

	Number	Percent
Religion		
Total reported	450	100.0
Protestant	359	79.8
Catholic	44	9.8
Muslim	3	.7
None	28	6.2
Other	16	3.6
Not reported	46	-
Church Attendance		
Total reported	408	100.0
Yes	175	42.9
No	233	57.1
Not reported	88	-

11. Marital status

	Number	Percent
Total reported	492	100.0
Married	193	39.2
Single	237	48.2
Separated	33	6.7
Divorced	23	4.7
Widowed	6	1.2
Not reported	4	-

12. Number of children you have _____ 1/

	Number	Percent
Total reported	447	100.0
0	170	38.0
1	85	19.0
2-4	154	34.5
5 and over	38	8.5
Not reported	49	-

13. When you were growing up, were your parents: Together _____
Separated or divorced _____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	493	100.0
Together	296	60.0
Not together	197	40.0
Not reported	3	-

14. Who do you live with? _____ 1/

	Number	Percent
Total reported	490	100.0
Wife	41	8.4
Family	119	24.3
Both parents	49	10.0
Father	15	3.1
Mother	80	16.3
Other relatives	63	12.9
Friends	21	4.3
Alone	90	18.4
Other (YMCA, etc.)	12	2.4
Not reported	6	-

15. How many persons live together in your house? _____ 1/

	Number	Percent
Total reported	487	100.0
1	80	16.4
2-3	120	24.6
4-7	224	46.0

	Number	Percent
8 or more	63	12.9
Not reported	9	-

16. Have you ever voted? Yes___ No_

	Number	Percent
Total reported	480	100.0
Yes	241	50.2
No	239	49.8
Not reported	16	-

17. Have you been in any government retraining, youth, poverty, or other such program? Yes__ No_ If yes, what program?

	Number	Percent
Total reported	489	100.0
Yes	81	16.6
No	408	83.4
Not reported	7	-
Program 3/	-	-

18. What do you think of it?_____ 4/

	Number	Percent
Total reported	102	100.0
Favorable	84	82.4
Unfavorable	14	13.7
Other response	4	3.9
Not reported	397	-

19. What clubs or organizations do you belong to?_____ 5/

	Number	Percent
Total reported	106	100.0
National fraternal (Elk, Mason, etc.)	28	26.4
Local--athletic or social	25	23.6
Church affiliated	7	6.6
Union	16	15.1
Civil Rights (NAACP, etc.)	16	15.1
Other	14	13.2
Not reported	410	-

20. What is your favorite amusement? _____ 5/

	Number	Percent
Total reported	542	100.0
Sport (baseball, fishing, pool, etc.)	286	52.8
Music or other cultural activities (reading class, etc.)	112	20.7
TV, radio	20	3.7
Movies	22	4.1
"Drink," "women," "meeting people," etc.	26	4.8
Other	76	14.0
Not reported	23	-

21. Have you ever had a nervous condition that anybody thought you should see a doctor for? Yes__ No___ If yes, please tell what seemed to be wrong. _____ 3/

	Number	Percent
Total reported	492	100.0
Yes	68	13.8
No	424	86.2
Not reported	4	-

22. Who is your favorite Negro leader? _____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	363	100.0
Rev. Martin Luther King	178	49.0
Stokely Carmichael	52	14.3
Adam Clayton Powell	24	6.6
Muhammad Ali	21	5.8
Malcolm X	20	5.5
Elijah Muhammad	12	3.3
Other	56	15.4
Not reported	133	-

23. Why?_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	345	100.0
Like what he says (program)	157	45.5
Helped Negro people (accomplishments)	69	20.0
Doesn't preach hate (nonviolence)	32	9.3
Says what he means	17	4.9
Forceful or violent approach	11	3.2
Leads in the right direction	21	6.1
Other	38	11.0
Not reported	151	-

24. Who do you like second best? _____ 5/

	Number	Percent
Total reported	262	100.0
Rev. Martin Luther King	57	21.8
Stokely Carmichael	28	10.7
Adam Clayton Powell	18	6.9
Muhammad Ali	8	3.1
Malcolm X	11	4.2
Elijah Muhammad	22	8.4
Other	118	45.0
Not reported	239	-

25. Why?_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	99	100.0
Like what he says (program)	26	26.3
Helped Negro people (accomplishments)	31	31.3
Doesn't preach hate (nonviolence)	16	16.2
Says what he means	13	13.1
Forceful or violent approach	7	7.1
Other	6	6.1
Not reported	397	-

26. Please name other Negro leaders you have heard of._____ 5/

	Number	Percent
Total reported	644	100.0
Muhammad Ali	22	3.4
Stokely Carmichael	97	15.1
Elijah Muhammad	28	4.3
Rev. Martin Luther King	158	24.5
Malcolm X	42	6.5
Adam Clayton Powell	71	11.0
Other	226	35.1
Not reported	126	-

27. What famous person would you like most to be like?_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	356	100.0
"Myself"	62	17.4
Rev. Martin Luther King	40	11.2
Muhammad Ali	31	8.7
John F. Kennedy	25	7.0
Stokely Carmichael	6	1.7
Elijah Muhammad	6	1.7
Malcolm X	1	.3
Sports figures	48	13.5

	Number	Percent
Entertainers	47	13.2
Other	90	25.3
Not reported	140	-

28. Will there ever come a day when the Negro has everything the white man has? Yes____No____
When?_____ Years_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	458	100.0
Yes	347	75.8
No	111	24.2
Not reported	38	-
Total reported	380	100.0
Under 10 years	93	24.5
10-20	103	27.1
21-40	32	8.4
40 plus	74	19.5
Never	78	20.5
Not reported	116	-

29. What is the best way for the Negro to go about getting civil rights?_____ 1/

	Number	Percent
Total reported	565	100.0
Nonviolent, political action	158	28.0
United action	119	21.1
Education	89	15.8
Raise self-esteem	58	10.3
Force and violence	83	14.7
Other	58	10.3
Not reported	85	-

30. Is there any person you know and talk to regularly who thinks riots are a good thing? Yes___ No___
Relationship _____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	481	100.0
Yes	86	17.9
No	395	82.1
Not reported	15	-
Relationship 1/		
Total reported	84 6/	100.0
Relative	5	6.0
Friend	53	63.1
Casual acquaintance	17	20.2
Other	9	10.7
Not reported	412	-

31. When did you last talk to him about such things? During riot, at start of riot, a few hours before riot, the day before, a few days before, week before, weeks before, month or more before. Circle correct answer above, or fill in OTHER: _____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	67 7/	100.0
During riot	16	23.9
At start of riot	4	6.0
A few hours before riot	3	4.5
The day before	5	7.5
A few days before	4	6.0
A week before	6	9.0
Weeks before	6	9.0
Month or more before	15	22.4
Other	8	11.9
Not reported	429	-

32. Is there any person you know and talk to regularly who thinks riots are a bad thing? Yes___ No___
Relationship _____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	478	100.0
Yes	268	56.1
No	210	43.9
Not reported	18	-
Relationship 1/		
Total reported	249 8/	100.0
Relative	78	31.3

	Number	Percent
Friend	129	51.8
Casual acquaintance	15	6.0
Other	27	10.8
Not reported	259	-

33. When did you last talk to him about such things? During riot, at start of riot, a few hours before riot, the day before, a few days before, week before, weeks before, month or more before. Circle correct answer above, or fill in OTHER: _____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	220 9/	100.0
During riot	60	27.3
At start of riot	17	7.7
A few hours before riot	8	3.6
The day before	14	6.4
A few days before	14	6.4
A week before	17	7.7
Weeks before	23	10.5
Month or more before	36	16.4
Other	31	14.1
Not reported	278	-

34. Is there any famous Negro who thinks these riots are a good thing? Yes_____ No_____ Who?_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	443	100.0
Yes	119	26.9
No	324	73.1
Not reported	53	-

Who _____

	Number	Percent
Total reported 10/	123	100.0
Stokely Carmichael	72	58.5
Rev. Martin Luther King	10	8.1
Malcolm X	10	8.1
Muhammad Ali	6	4.9
Elijah Muhammad	2	1.6
Other	23	18.7
Not reported	48	-

35. Is there any famous Negro who thinks these riots are a bad thing? Yes_____ No_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	451	100.0
Yes	261	57.9
No	190	42.1
Not reported	45	-

Who _____

	Number	Percent
Total reported 10/	269	100.0
Rev. Martin Luther King	185	68.8
Roy Wilkins	14	5.2
Adam Clayton Powell	7	2.6
Dick Gregory	5	1.9
Stokely Carmichael	4	1.5
Muhammad Ali	4	1.5
Elijah Muhammad	1	-
Malcolm X	1	-
Other	48	17.8
Not reported	39	-

36. What other cities have had riot troubles like Detroit?_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported 5/	1,108	100.0
Los Angeles (Watts)	228	20.6
Chicago	192	17.3
Newark	185	16.7

	Number	Percent
New York	181	16.3
Cleveland	101	9.1
Milwaukee	20	1.8
Birmingham	20	1.8
Other cities	181	16.3

37. Where did you hear about other cities having such riots?_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported 5/	730	100.0
TV	258	35.3
Radio	144	19.7
Newspapers	238	32.6
Other	90	12.4
Not reported	71	-

38. Does your home have a: _____TV set _____ Radio?

	Number	Percent
Total reported	496	100.0
TV and radio	391	78.8
TV only	28	5.6
Radio only	43	8.7
None	34	6.9

39. Have you seen any race riots on TV? Yes_____ No_____
Which ones did they show? _____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	470	100.0
Yes	376	80.0
No	94	20.0
Not reported	26	-

Which ones?_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported 10/	463	100.0
Watts (L.A.)	138	29.8
Newark	92	19.9
Chicago-Cicero	46	9.9
Harlem	38	8.2
Detroit	38	8.2
Birmingham	27	5.8
Cleveland	19	4.1
Selma	18	3.9

40. What were most of the people doing in these race riots?_____

(Examples: looting, attacking police, sniping, setting fire, etc. Probe: Ask what they seemed to be doing most—such as, mostly sniping, setting fires, etc.)

	Number	Percent
Total reported 1/5/	483	100.0
Looting, burning, fighting	226	46.8
Police violence (beating, dogs, etc.)	83	17.2
Police action, no violent arrests, hold back crowds, etc.	26	5.4
Crowd action, nonviolent; or action by other officials (firemen, etc.)	88	18.2
Other	60	12.4
Not reported	126	-

41. What TV shows do you watch the most?_____

General Television Program Categories
(No specific program title mentioned)

73	Western
63	News
54	Total Sports References
10	Boxing & Wrestling
7	Baseball
1	Football
36	Sports in General

49	Movies
14	Variety Mysteries
13	Comedies
12	All
8	Specials
7	Science Fiction
6	Cartoons
3	Adventures Dramas Quiz Programs Educational Programs
2	Discussion Programs
1	Spy Movies Space Shows Commercials Army (Documentary) Musicals
332	General Program Category (No specific program title mentioned)
309	Specific Program Title Mentioned
64	"None" and "Unknown"
705	Total Responses

(Specific Television Program Titles Mentioned)

30	I Spy
24	The Fugitive
21	Mission Impossible
19	The Ed Sullivan Show
13	Swinging Time
12	The Johnny Carson Show Combat
9	Bonanza
8	The Invaders Bill Kennedy Star Trek
7	Gunsmoke
6	The Joey Bishop Show Rat Patrol The Honeymooners—Jackie Gleason
5	Cheyenne Green Hornet
110	Other titles
309	Total references to specific programs

42. What newspapers do you read regularly?_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported 5/	636	100.0
Detroit News	310	48.7
Free Press	167	26.3
Chronicle	76	11.9
None	38	6.0
Other	45	7.1
Not reported	30	-

43. What magazines to you read regularly?_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported 5/	715	100.0
Ebony	166	23.2
Jet	109	15.2
Life	99	13.8
Esquire	15	2.1
Sports Illustrated	14	2.0
Look	45	6.3
Reader's Digest	34	4.8
None	72	10.1
Other	161	22.5
Not reported	69	-

44. What radio programs do you hear regularly? _____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	505	100.0
Stations	257	50.9
WCHB	175	34.7
WCHD	35	6.9
WJLB	28	5.5
CKLW	7	1.4
WCAR	5	1.0
WXYZ	4	.8
WJBK	3	.6
Type of Program	248	49.1
"Soul" and jazz music	108	21.4
News	28	5.5
Personality shows (specified)	47	9.3
Church and religious	18	3.6
Sports	12	2.4
FM Music	9	1.8
Serials and adventures	4	.8
All other	22	4.4
Not reported	96	-

45. How do you feel when you see a race riot on TV? _____

	Number	Percent
Total reported 5/	418	100.0
Critical of police or other officials	34	8.1
Critical of Negroes	10	2.4
Critical of whites or society	30	7.2
Feel bad, sad	130	31.1
Angry, frustrated, mad	36	8.6
No feeling	37	8.9
Have sense of association with the rioters	58	13.9
Other	83	19.9
Not reported	97	-

46. How did you first find out there was trouble going on in Detroit? (Respondent should answer without prompting; but if no answer, probe into these possibilities: Heard noise on street, friend phoned, was out in street and saw it, saw it announced on TV, heard about it on radio, etc.) _____

	Number	Percent
Total Reported 1/ 5/	468	100.0
Friend	102	21.8
Relative	51	10.9
TV - Radio	124	26.5
Saw it in street	80	17.1
Other	111	23.7
Not reported	32	-

47. What did that source inform you was happening? (If necessary, probe): Please try to remember his (the source's) exact words. 3/ _____

48. After that, who did you tell about it? (relationship of person, not name): _____ Try to remember your exact words 3/ _____ How did you inform that person? By personal contact ___ By phone ___

Told who?

	Number	Percent
Total reported	378	100.0
No one	184	48.7
Relatives	91	24.1
Friends	80	21.2
Other	23	6.1
Not reported	122	-

	Number	Percent
How informed?		
Total reported[11/]	191	100.0
Personal contact	170	89.0
By phone	21	11.0

49. Try to remember your exact words.[3/]_____

50. What time of day did you hear about it first?_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	421	100.0
1-4 am	38	9.0
5-8 am	51	12.1
9-12 noon	112	26.6
1-4 pm	74	17.6
5-8 pm	76	18.1
9-12 midnight	36	8.6
After Sunday	34	8.1
Not reported	75	-

51. What time did you first go to the scene to find out what was going on?_____How long was this after you first heard about it?

	Number	Percent
What time?		
Total reported	403	100.0
1-4 am	16	4.0
5-8 am	15	3.7
9-12 noon	31	7.7
1-4 pm	65	16.1
5-8 pm	68	16.9
9-12 midnight	51	12.7
Did not go	86	21.3
After Sunday	71	17.6
Not reported	93	-
How long after?		
Total reported	388	100.0
Was at the scene	24	6.2
Under 1 hour	67	17.3
1-6 hours	109	28.1
7-18 hours	73	18.8
18-24 hours	11	2.8
Over 24 hours	17	4.4
Did not go	87	22.4
Not reported	108	-

52. Please describe what you saw _____

	Number	Percent
Total reported[5/]	477	100.0
Looting, fighting, other violence	221	46.3
Police or military action	103	21.6
Fire, damage, broken glass	81	17.0
People standing around	38	8.0
Other	34	7.1
Not reported	110	-

53. What were most of the people doing the most of? (Examples: looting, sniping, fighting police, etc.) _____ (Probe into more serious activities also if response is "just standing around" by asking "What else?")

	Number	Percent
Total reported[5/]	422	100.0
Looting, fighting, other violence	220	52.1
Police or military action	20	4.7
Fire, damage, broken glass	29	6.9
People standing around	133	31.5
Other	20	4.7
Not reported[5/]	103	-

54. What was the worst thing they were doing?_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported[5/]	368	100.0
Looting, fighting, other violence	109	29.6
Police or military action	28	7.6
Fire, damage, broken glass	139	37.8
People standing around	11	3.0
"Don't know"	39	10.6
Other	42	11.4
Not reported	134	-

55. Did you meet any friends there?

	Number	Percent
Total reported	405	100.0
Yes	151	37.3
No	254	62.7
Not reported	91	-

56. If somebody said there was a terrible emergency that was happening someplace, how would you check to find out if it were true?

	Number	Percent
Total reported	498	100.0
Go there myself	112	22.5
Telephone	96	19.3
Radio, TV	184	36.9
Phone police	49	9.8
Do nothing	18	3.6
Other	39	7.8
Not reported	31	-

57. Just before you went to see the riot, where were you? (Do not suggest—let the respondent; but if necessary probe);
(a)_____ At home inside. (b) _____ At home outside. (c) _____ At a friend's inside. (d) _____ At a friend's outside. (e) _____ Outside, away from the riot. (f)_____ Outside, right at the scene. (g)_____ At a store, poolhall, or bowling alley. (h)___ At a bar. (i)_____ Other (specify)_____

	Absolute Number	Percent
Total reported	436	100.0
At home-inside	226	51.8
At home-outside	31	7.1
At friend's-inside	37	8.5
At friend's-outside	22	5.0
Outside-away from riot	28	6.4
Outside-right at the scene	23	5.3
Other	69	15.8
Not reported	60	-

58. What were you doing just before you went to see the riot?_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	416	100.0
At home (general)	129	31.0
Watching TV	39	9.4
In bed	70	16.8
Sitting on porch (or outside)	19	4.6
In transit (from work, visiting)	37	8.9
At the scene	4	1.0
With friends (talking)	56	13.5
Other	62	14.9
Not reported	80	-

59. What do you think caused this trouble in Detroit?_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported[1/ 5/]	523	100.0
Police brutality	159	30.4
Raid on the "blind pig" no mention of police brutality	40	7.6
Tension and frustration resulting from inequality	65	12.4
Lack of job opportunities, low pay, poor living conditions	54	10.3
Agitators, conspiracy	15	2.9
Don't know	114	21.8
Other responses	76	14.5
Not reported	13	-

60. What do you think should be done to prevent this kind of trouble in the future?_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported[1/]	405	100.0
Better jobs, housing, living conditions, financial help, education	102	25.2
More justice and equality, decent treatment	85	20.9
End police brutality, lack of understanding	64	15.8
Talk, reason, cooperation	57	14.1
Enforce law, marital law	28	6.9
Impossible to prevent riots	8	2.0
Separation of Negro and white	7	1.7
Don't know	44	10.9
Other	10	2.5
Not reported	91	-

61. If the city hired you to break up riots, how would you do it?_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported[1/]	439	100.0
Would refuse to take job	103	23.5
Talk and reason with people	131	29.8
Use same tactics as now	33	7.5
Use humane methods	29	6.6
Use greater force	7	1.6
Call in Negro leaders	3	.7
Use force against whites	1	-
Have no solution	35	8.0
Other	97	22.1
Not reported	66	-

Total number interviewed -157
(in remainder of questionnaire)

62a. In the last year, how many different times have you been out of work?_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	135	100.0
None	58	43.0
1	43	31.9
2	23	17.0
3	4	3.0
4-6	5	3.7
Over 6	2	1.5
Not reported	22	-

62b. Altogether how many full weeks were you you of work last year?_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	125	100.0
None	36	28.8
1-4	26	20.8
5-15	32	25.6
16-26	19	15.2
26 and over	12	9.6
Not reported	32	-

62c. In the last year, for how many different employers have you worked?

	Number	Percent
Total reported	126	100.0
None	11	8.7
1	49	38.9
2	37	29.4
3	15	11.9
4	5	4.0
5 or more	9	7.1
Not reported	31	-

62d. How many of these employers fired you?_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	118	100.0
None	107	90.7
1	8	6.8
2	2	1.7
3	-	-
4	-	-
5 or more	1	.8
Not reported	39	-

63. How much money do you feel you need each week to live decently? _____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	151	100.0
Under $40	3	2.0
$41-60	5	3.3
$61-80	12	7.9
$81-100	32	21.2
$101-120	8	5.3
$121-150	50	33.1
$151-200	33	21.9
Over $200	8	5.3
Not reported	6	-

64. In the last few years, do you think that conditions for you personally have become better, stayed the same, or become worse?_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	154	100.0
Have become better	82	53.2
Stayed the same	38	24.7
Have become worse	34	22.1
Not reported	3	-

65. Do you think that conditions for Negroes generally in Detroit have become better, stayed the same or become worse? _____ ____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	149	100.0
Have become better	85	57.0
Stayed same	37	24.8
Have become worse	27	18.1
Not reported	8	-

66. Did you ever have part of your wages taken away (garnisheed) by your employer because you owed a debt? Yes_____ No_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	152	100.0
Yes	27	17.8
No	125	82.2
Not reported	5	-

67. Did any of your employers ever fire you because of these debts?

Yes	2[12/]
No and not reported	155

68. Are you in debt now for? _____ How much?

Back rent	_____
Car payment	_____
Medical expenses	_____
Food	_____
Clothing	_____
Other	_____

	Number	Percent
Total Interviewed	157	100.0
Did not report debts	77	49.0
Reported debt	80	51.0
Types of indebtedness		
Total reported 5/	129	100.0
Rent	34	26.4
Car	17	13.2
Medical expenses	29	22.5
Food	3	2.3
Clothing	15	11.6
Other	31	24.0
Total indebtedness		
Total reported	71	100.0
Under $200	38	53.5
$201-500	20	28.2
$501-1,000	4	5.6
Over $1,000	9	12.7
Not reported	9	-

69. Have you ever had a judgment (a court order to pay a debt) against you? Yes____ No_____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	131	100.0
Yes	32	24.4
No	99	75.6
Not reported	26	-

70. Have you ever had anything you bought repossessed by the seller? Yes____ No____

	Number	Percent
Total reported	136	100.0
Yes	24	17.6
No	112	82.4
Not reported	21	-

71. Were you ever in the Armed Forces? If yes, when—WW II—Korea—Viet Nam____, Other____

	Number	Percent
Total interviewed	157	100.0
Never served in Armed Forces	124	79.0
Served in Armed Forces	33	21.0
When--		
World War II	7	4.5
Korea	9	5.7
Viet Nam	1	.6
Other	16	10.2

FOOTNOTES

1/ Classification developed subsequent to interview based on recorded response.
2/ Deep South includes Florida, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas and Texas.
3/ Classification not made because of diversity of replies and need for individual analysis.
4/ Some persons volunteered opinions on training programs who were not in these programs.
5/ More than one response tabulated.
6/ Only 84 of the 86 persons replying "yes" to the above reported.
7/ Only 67 of the 86 persons replying "yes" to question 30 reported.
8/ Only 249 of the 268 persons replying "yes" to the above reported.
9/ Only 220 of the 268 persons replying "yes" to question 32 reported.
10/ More than one response was tabulated applicable to "yes" above.
11/ Only 191 of the 194 persons who reported that they had informed someone about the riot replied to this question.
12/ Applicable to "yes" replies of previous question.

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